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Dear Sir:

CLAIM OF PRIORITY

Applicants hereby claim the priority benefits under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 119, basing said claim of priority on German patent application Serial No. 199 55 373.4, filed November 17, 1999, and German patent application Serial No. 100 24 827.6, filed May 19, 2000.

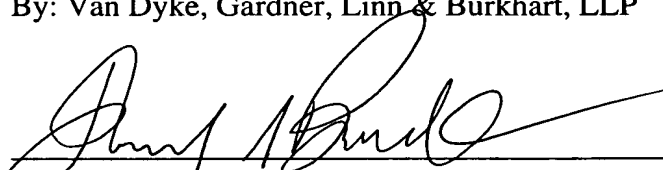
In accordance with the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 119 and 37 C.F.R. 1.55(a), certified copies of the above-listed German patent applications will be filed before grant of a patent.

Respectfully submitted,

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